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***NEW DEPARTMENT CREATED TO HANDLE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION
& CITY MAINTENANCE SERVICES***

GREENSBORO, NC (January 13, 2006) – In order to provide greater flexibility and enhance command and control, the City of Greensboro plans to create a new department effective March 1 that will be responsible for solid waste collection and citywide public maintenance services. Created by pooling the resources of the Parks & Recreation Department mowing crews, Environmental Services Department solid waste collection crews, and Transportation Department street maintenance and right-of-way maintenance crews, the new department consolidates all these services. An interim director for the department will be named in the next two weeks. A name for the new department is still in the works by City officials.

“By creating a new department specifically devoted to solid waste and City maintenance, we are better equipped to serve the needs of the community through more streamlined efforts,” says City Manager Mitch Johnson.

The new department will house some of the most visible and important services the City provides to the community such as garbage collection, pothole repair, and right-of-way maintenance. For more information, contact Ben Brown at 373-2002.

The City of Greensboro works in partnership with the community to increase the quality of life for all residents by fostering an environment of inclusion, diversity, and trust. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a dedicated professional staff of 2,800 employees who maintain four core values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City is governed by a council-manager form of government with a mayor and eight council members. For more information on the City of Greensboro, please visit us online at www.greensboro-nc.gov.

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